

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Peter Van Horne, Keith Olson and Kevin Miller  
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AND METHOD  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**Renewed Petition To Accept An Unintentionally Delayed Claim Under 35  
U.S.C. 120 For The Benefit Of A Prior-Filed Application**

Sir:

In response to a Decision Dismissing Petition mailed August 4, 2010, this renewed petition is hereby made for acceptance of an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. 120 for the benefit of the following prior-filed applications:

Application No.	Filing Date	Patent No.
US 09/289,199	4/9/1999	US 6,233,604
US 08/919,397	8/28/1997	US 5,987,430

This renewed petition is accompanied by a supplemental application data sheet which is seen to comply with all requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78 and

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37 C.F.R. § 1.76. The surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(t) was paid with the original petition submitted to the USPTO on May 28, 2010. Additionally, it is stated that the entire delay between the date that this claim for benefit of a prior-filed application was due until the present date was unintentional.

Favorable action on this petition is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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